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Mr. Eugene Tuttle  
Natural Organic Fertilizer  
507 North 18<sup>th</sup> Street  
P. O. Box 493  
La Mesa, Texas 79331

Subject: Recommendations for Control of Russian Knapweed, Natural Organic Fertilizer Mill, S/019/054, Grand County, Utah

Dear Mr. Tuttle:

On March 11, 2005, I inspected your Natural Organic Mill site, and a copy of the inspection report is enclosed. As you can see, not all of the processing equipment has been removed; therefore, the Division cannot release the site from further reclamation responsibilities as you requested. The annual permit fees have not been paid for the past two fiscal years (\$150 each). The total of \$300.00 needs to be paid within 30 days or by April 22, 2005. A billing statement is enclosed.

I failed to look for the trench and to see whether it had been filled, but other than this, the only reclamation required is to remove the equipment. I would also like to see some effort to control the Russian knapweed (which would happen in late summer/early fall), but I have reason to believe the knapweed was present before your operation and will not require control. If the trench has not been filled in, this will need to be done.

To get the equipment out, it will be necessary to repair the crossing through Westwater Creek or to find another way to access the site.

I look forward to seeing this project completed and appreciate your cooperation in this regard. If you have questions about this letter, the inspection, or about reclamation requirements, please contact me at the address below or by telephone at 801-538-5261.

Sincerely

Paul B. Baker, Reclamation Biologist  
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Enclosure: Inspection report, Billing statement